

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
December 12, 2022**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Rensselaer met on December 12, 2022 in regular session in Council Chambers of City Hall. President Stephen Wood called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Answering roll call were: President Stephen Wood; Secretary Shelby Keys; Board Members Rick Odle and Ernest Watson, Jr; City Attorney Jacob Ahler; Police Chief Matt Anderson; Fire Chief Kenny Haun; Asst. Street Supt. Bryce Black. Project Coordinator Jerry Lockridge and Harley Tomlinson with the Rensselaer Republican were absent.

Also present were Robert Schenk with Rensselaer Adventures, George Cover, Russ Overton and Kevin Cochran.

The minutes of the November 14, 2022 regular board meeting were presented for approval. There was a motion by Wood, second by Odle, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**Hiring of Police Officer:** Anderson said the Board of Public Works and Safety met in executive session earlier this evening and held two interviews for police officer candidates. The board recommends to offer Malik Hemphill a conditional offer of employment.

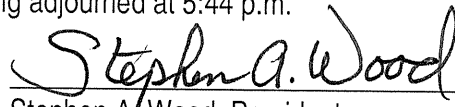
**Main Lift Station and Unsewered Areas Project:**

- 1) **Commonwealth Engineering Invoice:** Black presented a Commonwealth invoice for additional construction and resident project representation. The invoice is for \$25,815.12. There was a motion by Wood, second by Watson, to approve payment. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2) **Thieneman Partial Pay Request #7:** The pay request is for \$396,914.75. Black said this invoice covers lift station work, installation of pumps, setting of manholes and piping for sewer line. There was a motion by Watson, second by Odle, to approve payment. The motion passed unanimously.

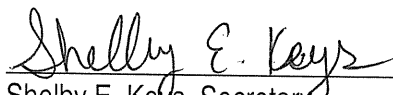
**Waterworks Improvements Project:**

- 1) **Commonwealth Invoices:** Black presented three Commonwealth invoices. One in the amount of \$1,209.25 for design of the water tower and water main replacement project. There was a motion by Watson, second by Odle, to approve payment. The motion passed unanimously.  
Black presented an invoice for preliminary design for the lead service line replacement for \$50,952.89. This project will cover Front Street, Weston Street, and some of Van Rensselaer Street. There was a motion by Wood, second by Odle, to approve payment. The motion passed unanimously.  
Black said the last invoice is for \$10,490.15 and covers basic engineering and field work. Black also explained that there was an error on the claim for this invoice on the docket originally and that it was corrected and will show up on the register tonight. There was a motion by Wood, second by Watson, to approve payment. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2) **Advertise Bids:** Black explained they are trying to finalizing items with this project to get it out for bid and that the deadline is approaching. He requested permission from the board for J. Lockridge to put out information for bids when it is ready. Bids needs to be received and opened by February 1, 2023. Bids will be for the water tower and main, as well as generators and lead service replacements. There was a motion by Wood, second by Odle, to approve allowing Lockridge to advertise for bids when everything is finalized. The motion passed unanimously.

There being nothing more to come before the board, there was a motion by Wood, second by Odle, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

  
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Stephen A. Wood, President

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Shelby E. Keys, Secretary